

INDEPENDENT READING

9TH GRADE

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- This year you will be responsible for reading works outside of class. We choose a different genre every two month. This will give you plenty of time to complete the book and a small assignment that goes along with it.

GENRE/FICTION

- Fantasy
- Mystery
- Realistic Fiction
- Classical/Traditional Literature
- Science Fiction
- Historical Fiction

GENRE/NON-FICTION

- Informational
- Biography
- Autobiography/Memoir

OTHER

- Poetry
- Graphic Novels

FANTASY

- Fantasy - contains elements that are not realistic
 - talking animals
 - magical powers
 - often set in a medieval universe
 - possibly involving mythical beings

MYSTERY

- MYSTERY a novel involving:
 - strangeness
 - solving a puzzling event or situation
 - something unknown
 - solving a crime
 - centered around a person who investigates

REALISTIC FICTION

- REALISTIC FICTION:
 - stories that take place in modern times
 - characters are involved in events that could happen.

CLASSICAL/TRADITIONAL

- Classic/Traditional Literature- Not set in modern times.
- Includes characters and themes that are considered timeless
- Often characters, places and ideas are referenced through modern literature.
- Examples: “Oliver Twist” by Charles Dickens, “Jane Eyre” by Charlotte Bronte

SCIENCE FICTION

- SCIENCE FICTION:
 - stories that often tell about science and technology of the future
 - involving partially true fictions laws or theories of science
 - Settings:
 - in the future
 - in space

HISTORICAL FICTION

- Historical Fiction: Fictionalizing the past and reflecting a specific time period
 - recreates characters from the past
 - historical events and/or movements addressed
 - ways of life, and the spirit of a bygone day can be part of the work

INFORMATIONAL

- Informational: Texts that provide facts about a variety of topics
 - sports
 - animals
 - science
 - history
 - careers

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- travel
- geography
- space
- weather

BIOGRAPHY

- Biography: The story of a real person's life written by another person

AUTOBIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

- Autobiography -The story of a real person's life that is written by that person
- Memoir - A type of nonfiction that centers around an event, object, or person that was significant to the author

OTHER

- Poetry
- Poetry is verse written to create a response of thought and feeling from the reader, It often uses rhythm and rhyme to help convey its meaning
- Graphic Novels
- A novel whose narrative is related through a combination of text and art, often in comic-strip form.